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FM AMEMBASSY TEGUCIGALPA  
TO DEA HQS WASHDC PRIORITY  
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INFO AMEMBASSY MEXICO  
AMEMBASSY SAN JOSE  
US CUSTOMS SVC WASHDC

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STATE FOR S/NM

E.O. 11652: NA  
TAGS: SNAR, HO  
SUBJ: NARCOTICS CONTROL PROGRAM FOR HONDURAS

REF: STATE 196471

1. THE RECENT CHANGE OF GOVERNMENT OF HONDURAS REQUIRES  
ADJUSTMENT TO PREVIOUS PLANS FOR VISIT OF WALTER SEARS (DEA)  
AND JAMES DAVIS (US CUSTOMS) IN ORDER TO CONFORM WITH  
EMBASSY DECISION TO TEMPORARILY MINIMIZE OFFICIAL CONTACTS  
WITH NEW GOVERNMENT.

2. GENERAL PAZ, WHO EMERGED AS PRESIDENT OF THE NEW RULING  
JUNTA, HAS BEEN THE PRINCIPAL SUPPORTER AND PRIME MOVING  
FORCE BEHIND THE RECENT INITIATIVES TO SHOR UP HONDURAN  
NARCOTICS LAWS, ROOT OUT CORRUPT OFFICIALS AND CREATION OF  
NEW NARCOTICS UNIT. WE HAVE VERBAL ASSURANCE AS OF THIS  
DATE THAT HIS SUPPORT CONTINUES AND THAT HE REMAINS DESIROUS  
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OF US HELP IN THE NARCOTICS UNITS' DEVELOPMENT.

3. MISSION POLICY AT THIS TIME IS TO NOT SEEK PERSONAL  
(OFFICIAL) CONTACT WITH GOH OFFICIALS UNTIL THE SITUATION  
HAS BEEN CLARIFIED AND QUESTION OF CONTACTS WITH NEW MILITARY  
JUNTA RESOLVED. MISSION CONSIDERS THAT CONTACTS WITH GOH  
OFFICIALS SHOULD BE SUSPENDED UNTIL SITUATION CLARIFIED.

NEVERTHELESS IN VIEW OF THE PRIORITY WHICH GOH AND MISSION PLACES ON MOVING FORWARD WITH THIS PROGRAM AND DELAYS ENCOUNTERED THUS FAR, IT IS CONSIDERED HIGHLY DESIREABLE TO CONTINUE THE PROPOSAL'S DEVELOPMENT.

WITH THE GROUND WORK LAID THUS FAR, MISSION CONSIDERS IT DESIREABLE AND FEASIBLE FOR MR. SEARS TO REMAIN AND TO CONTINUE HIS WORK AS IT APPLIES TO THE DRUG ENFORCEMENT UNIT AT THE EARLIEST, CURRENTLY ESTIMATED TO BE MONDAY, AUGUST 14, IN THE INTERIM, MR. SEARS WILL GATHER INFORMATION, STATISTICS, ETC. ON RELEVANT ASPECTS OF THE PROGRAM AVAILABLE IN THE EMBASSY. HE WILL ALSO PROCEED TO SAN JOSE, COSTA RICA ACCOMPANIED BY ASAIC ELOY GARCIA TO CONFER WITH DEA SAIC CONCERNING PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT, RETURNING TO TEGUCIGALPA O/A AUGUST 13.

4. CONSIDERATIONS CONCERNING MR. DAVIS, US CUSTOMS ARE CONTAINED IN SEPTTEL.

5. SUGGEST IN LIGHT OF DEVELOPMENTS THAT LES ALEXANDER MAY DESIRE TO DELAY HIS ARRIVAL IN TEGUCIGALPA ABOUT TWO DAYS AND TO KEEP IN TOUCH WITH STATE HONDURAS DESK. JARAMILLO

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